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THE CRIMINAL CODE

REORGANIZATION STUDY

COMMITTEE BILL)

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to extending a period of probation.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 901.5, Code 2009, is amended by adding
- 2 the following new subsection:
- 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 7A. The court shall inform the defendant
- 4 that any period of probation may be extended for up to one year
- 5 as authorized in section 907.7.
- 6 Sec. 2. Section 907.7, subsection 1, Code 2009, is amended
- 7 to read as follows:
- 8 1. The length of the probation shall be for a term period as
- 9 the court shall fix but not to exceed five years if the offense
- 10 is a felony or not to exceed two years if the offense is a
- 11 misdemeanor. The period of probation may be extended for up
- 12 to one year including one year beyond the maximum period as
- 13 provided in section 908.11.
- 14 Sec. 3. Section 908.11, subsection 4, Code 2009, is amended
- 15 to read as follows:
- 16 4. If the violation is established, the court may continue
- 17 the probation or youthful offender status with or without
- 18 an alteration of the conditions of probation or a youthful
- 19 offender status. If the defendant is an adult or a youthful
- 20 offender the court may hold the defendant in contempt of court
- 21 and sentence the defendant to a jail term while continuing the
- 22 probation or youthful offender status, order the defendant
- 23 to be placed in a violator facility established pursuant to
- 24 section 904.207 while continuing the probation or youthful
- 25 offender status, extend the term of probation for up to one
- 26 year as authorized in section 907.7 while continuing the
- 27 probation or youthful offender status, or revoke the probation
- 28 or youthful offender status and require the defendant to serve
- 29 the sentence imposed or any lesser sentence, and, if imposition
- 30 of sentence was deferred, may impose any sentence which might
- 31 originally have been imposed.
- 32 Sec. 4. Section 910.4, subsection 1, paragraph b,
- 33 subparagraph (1), Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 34 (1) If the court extends the period of probation, it the
- 35 period of probation shall not be for more than the maximum

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- 1 period of probation for the offense committed except for an
- 2 extension of a period of probation as provided authorized in
- 3 section 907.7. After discharge from probation or after
- 4 the expiration of the period of probation, as extended if
- 5 applicable, the failure of an offender to comply with the plan
- 6 of restitution ordered by the court shall constitute contempt
- 7 of court.
- 8 EXPLANATION
- 9 This bill relates to the extension of a period of
- 10 probation. The bill provides that a judge may extend a period
- 11 of probation, for up to one year including one year beyond
- 12 the maximum period, if a violation of probation has been
- 13 established.
- 14 The bill also requires the court to inform a defendant, at
- 15 the time of sentencing, that the period of probation may be
- 16 extended for up to one year if a violation of probation is
- 17 established.